

## *2009 CADA Fall Newsletter from the President, Dr. Dou Alvin Zhang*



Dear CADA members and friends,

This is the Chinese American Doctors Association Fall Newsletter, which I hope finds you in good health and fine spirits. With the 2009 fall coming in, it is my privilege to inform you of CADA's many updates since the spring newsletter.

### **1. Congratulations to:**

Drs Mei Tang, Lei Zheng, Ting Bao, Hongbin Chen, and Yong Tang for finishing up their fellowship training.

Dr. Christopher Shih and Maya for their new baby.

Drs Huichun Zhan and Haoyi Zheng for their new baby

(Please excuse me if I have missed someone or something...)



### **2. CADA-AUA Collaboration**

CADA has hosted a Chinese Urologist delegation for American Urology Association in July 2009. It was a very successful event. Attached is an appreciation letter from AUA president, Dr. Anton J. Bueschen. Many thanks to our CADA volunteers.



### 3. AAHC volunteer clinic update



AAHC volunteer clinic will be officially open on 10/03/09. Many thanks to your support. An orientation has been scheduled for all the volunteer physicians and nurses on 9/19/09.

**Location:** 5070 Dorsey Hall Dr. Suite 101, Ellicott City, MD 21042

**Time:** 9/19/09 Saturday 8-9:30am.

### 4. 2009 AAHC and Bridgeway Community Church Healthfairare



# Health Fair

AAHC and Bridgeway Community Church are organizing its third annual healthfair on 9/26/09. It has attracted close to 1000 attendees last year and 50% of them are Asians. CADA has played an important role in its success last year. We will continue our support by providing volunteer physicians and nurses. Thanks to the help of Dr. Mark Li from Chinese American Medical Society, we are able to add HBV screening to this year's healthfair. As part of the preparation, Dr. Mark Li will give a dinner talk on HBV screening on 9/17. Please reserve it if you are able to go.

**Location:** The Kings Contrivance, 10150 Shaker Drive, Columbia, MD 21046

Reception 6:30 pm

Dinner Presentation 7:00 pm

Business Meeting 7:45 pm

RSVP Required. Limited Seating

Contact: Anne Avery by September 15th 443-896-6885

If you are able to help out with the healthfair on 9/26/09 11am to 3pm, please let me know.

### 5. 2009 AAHC-CADA flu-shot



AAHC is launching its 2009 flu-shot season in Asian communities. CADA will help it out by providing volunteer physicians and nurses. Attached is a list of schedules. Please let me know if and when you are available to help out.

Date and location:

Sun 9/27 2-5pm, Howard County Chinese School  
(Howard County Community College)

Sat 10/3 11 - 3pm H Mart

Sat 10/17 11 - 3pm Lotte Sun 10/18 10 - 2pm Lotte

## 5. Baltimore Anti-Tobacco Grant



CADA has fulfilled two phases of the Baltimore Asian Anti-Tobacco grant from Maryland State Health Department. Many thanks to our volunteers and community partners. Health Department is very satisfied about the progress and CADA has been awarded \$8000 for its effort. However, due to the State budget crisis, Maryland State has cut most of its community healthcare program for this fiscal year. Baltimore Asian Anti-Tobacco grant is part of the cut. Thus, CADA will not have a financial support to finish the other 4 phases of this grant. With this new development, CADA board of

directors has decided to scale down the grant activities and focus on Anti-Tobacco education in Chinese Community at our own expense.

## 6. Horizon Foundation invitation

CADA has been invited by Horizon Foundation from Howard County to write a \$50000 Web Healthcare Forum grant. This grant is aimed at promoting healthcare and physician-patient communications in Howard County through a web-based healthcare forum. This is a great honor for CADA and we have accepted this invitation.

## 7. CADA and BXSCC invited by Xiamen Maternal and Children Care Hospital (XMCCH) to their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary on April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009

### USA China Friendship



CADA and Baltimore-Xiamen Sister City Committee (BXSCC) have been invited by Xiamen Maternal and Children Care Hospital (XMCCH) in China to their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in late April 2009.

Mr. Fontaine Bell, the Chairman of BXSCC and I led a medical delegation from Baltimore City to participate this event. This delegation was composed of Dr. Lei Zheng, CADA secretary, Dr. Nancy Hueppchen, Johns Hopkins OBGYN medical student clerkship director, Dr. Jessica Bienstock, Johns Hopkins OBGYN residency director, and I. During this event, CADA, BXSCC and Johns Hopkins OBGYN have reached several tentative agreements with XMCCH and Xiamen University School of Medicine. These include potential medical student exchange, PI to PI collaboration and regular joined medical symposium in Xiamen City.

## 8. CCOC Charity Concert scheduled in April, 2010



To help out AAHC financially in this economic downturn, Chinese Community Outreach Committee, led by Dr Yen Li from NIH, and CADA have decided to host a major charity concert among the Asian communities in Ellicott City. All proceeds from this concert will be donated to AAHC volunteer clinic. The target is \$8000-10000. This concert is

tentatively scheduled in April, 2010 at Jim Rouse Theater. The music program will be led by Dr Christopher Shih, a CADA member, an AAHC volunteer physician and an accomplished amateur pianist. Your participation and support are greatly appreciated.

### **9. CADA-Medical Chinese Curriculum project**

CADA-Medical Chinese Curriculum project at University of Maryland School of Medicine has been very successful. Many thanks to Dr. Mei Tang for her leadership and volunteers for their dedications. The feedbacks from the medical students are so great that they have invited us back this year. Given that Dr. Tang is no longer at University of Maryland, Dr Guofen Xie, a GI attending physician from University of Maryland, has kindly agreed to take over this project. If you are interested in this project, please contact Dr. Xie directly.

### **10. The 2009 CADA Fall Picnic**

2009 CADA Fall picnic marked another successful turnout. This picnic has greatly facilitated the friendship among our members and families. During this event, many members propose a regular CADA potluck meeting to facilitate our social and medical exchange. I will present this to the CADA board of directors and forward you further information in the near future.



### **11. CADA Journal Club format modified**



CADA had a very successful opening of its monthly journal club in July 2009 at Miller Branch Library. However, it failed to attract members in August. To make this CADA Professional Education Program more viable and sustainable, our original monthly format is now proposed to change after discussing with many of our members. According to the new proposal, the Journal Club will be merged into a brief medical update during a CADA member and families

Potluck Meeting every three months. This proposal needs the final approval from CADA board of directors. Meanwhile, our September Journal Club will be put on hold until further notice.

## **12. Community Education Program**



The 2009-2010 CADA Community Healthcare Education Program will start soon. We will continue this tradition in Howard County Chinese School and also plan to expand it to the Baltimore Chinese community this year. Your support are critical for the success of this project. Please let me know if you are able to participate.

Again, CADA's success depends on support from its members, families, volunteers, local Asian communities and local government. I would like to personally invite you to join us in our efforts to promote these CADA objectives!

Thank you and best regards.

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